



ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION

Public Hearing Minutes

Boston City Hall, Piemonte Room
Boston, MA, 02201

AUGUST 12, 2021

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Nakeeda Burns, John Bligh, Helen Pillsbury, Kirsten Hoffman.

ABSENT: Sharon Cayley

STAFF PRESENT: Nicholas Armata, Senior Preservation Planner

A full recording of the hearing is available at:

<https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/aberdeen-architectural-conservation-district>

4:00PM Chair N. Burns called the public hearing to order. She explained that, pursuant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, that the public hearing was being conducted virtually via the online meeting platform Zoom in order to review Design Review applications. She also briefly explained how to participate in the online hearing.

Following this brief introduction she called the first design review application.

I. DESIGN

APP # 21.1053 AB 1853 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

Previously reviewed at 6/10/2021 hearing & 7/20/2021 subcommittee

Applicant: Rita Kraner

Proposed Work: Add vinyl siding

PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE: Rita Kraner

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: Existing conditions photos, cut sheet from siding manufacturer.

DISCUSSION TOPICS: Topics discussed include whether the materials proposed for the siding were appropriate, existing violations on the property.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment



N. BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WITH PROVISOS. J. BLIGH SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-0 (Y: NB, JB, KH, HP) (N: NONE).

APP # 22.0046 AB 138 137-141 CHISWICK ROAD

Applicant: Yuri Zhev

Proposed Work: Apply waterproofing coating to all horizontal surfaces of concrete bands. (See Additional Items Under Administrative Review).

The applicant did not appear.

APP # 22.0123 AB 1982 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

Applicant: Noel Noonan

Proposed Work: New walkway surfaces, stair treads, lighting, tree removal. (See Additional Items Under Administrative Review).

PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE: Noel Noonan

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: Existing conditions photos, shop drawings for proposal, cut sheets for materials used in the proposal

DISCUSSION TOPICS: Topics discussed include whether the tree in fact needs to be removed, previously approved changes under another application at same property.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment

N. BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WITH PROVISOS. K. HOFFMAN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-0 (Y: NB, JB, KH, HP) (N: NONE).

- That a letter from an arborist stating the tree would impact the foundation of the project.
- Granite installed with a rough edge.
- Curb is rebuilt with the granite edge.
- Brick sample is submitted to staff for approval.



APP # 22.0138 AB 1662 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

Applicant: Gerry Squires

Proposed Work: New cell phone antennas and screening

PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE: *Jay Lee*

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: *Existing conditions photos, shop drawings for proposal, cut sheets for materials used in the proposal.*

DISCUSSION TOPICS: *Topics include previous approval for work, the visibility of the work from the street and the color and size of the proposal.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: *No public comment.*

N. BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WITH PROVISOS, J. BLIGH SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-0 (Y: NB, JB, KH, HP) (N: NONE).

- **MOCK-UPS ARE PROVIDED TO THE COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE COLORS.**

II. ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

APP # 22.0046 AB 138 137-141 CHISWICK ROAD: Power wash first fl. concrete band. 1st floor window sills & tone around 2 entries in buildings with Stone Restoration Cleaner. Cut, install bake rod & caulk 100% of concrete joints. Cut & point vertical expansion joint. Repair window sills where needed. Reattach existing window trim on 64 windows where needed and cover the trim with aluminum clad. Power wash 137 Chiswick Road front stair, remove all loose material & caulk all joints. Power wash 141 Chiswick Road front stair, caulk all joints, and apply two coats of waterproofing material. *(See Additional Items Under Design Review).*

APP # 22.0046 AB 1982 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE: Reset two displaced arch stones above 2 building entrances, and the re-pointing of defective stone joints above the same entrances. *(See Additional Items Under Design Review).*

APP # 22.0046 AB 324 CHESTNUT HILL AVENUE: At side party wall façade visible from a public street, unit # 8 level two, install five, one over one, aluminum clad windows.



N. BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WITH PROVISOS, J. BLIGH SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-0 (Y: NB, JB, KH, HP) (N: NONE).

II. RATIFICATION OF MEETING MINUTES FROM 7-8-2021

COMMISSIONER BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES, COMMISSIONER HOFFMAN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-0 (Y: NB, JB, KH, HP) (N: NONE).

III. STAFF UPDATES

IV. ADJOURN -5:42 PM

J. BLIGH MOTIONED TO ADJORN THE HEARING. N. BURNS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-0 (Y: NB, JB, KH, HP) (N: NONE).